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0C Aid Code

CCS Numbered Letter 24-0905 provided policy on the establishment of a new aid code, "0C", for infants born to mothers enrolled in the Access for Infants and Mothers (AIM) program who were subsequent to their birth enrolled in Healthy Families. MAXIMUS, the Healthy Families (HF) Administrative Vendor, began transmitting eligibility for these infants to the Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System (MEDS) using the "0C" aid code in September 2005. Prior to September eligibility for these infants was transmitted to MEDS using the HF "9H" aid code. MAXIMUS has reviewed AIM infant enrollments in HF who were assigned aid code 9H prior to September and has retroactively changed the "9H" aid code assignments to "0C" in MEDS.

The CCS claims payment system does not yet recognize aid code "0C." A system change to install "0C" in the payment system will take place in early 2006. Until this system change is completed, as directed in N.L. 24-0905, services for infants with aid code "0C" should be authorized using a CCS legacy authorization. Prior to September some services for these AIM linked HF infants, who at the time were assigned aid code "9H" were authorized in the SAR system. Subsequent to September the aid codes for these infants were changed in MEDS to "0C". Since the payment system does not yet recognize "0C," claims submitted pursuant to these SARs are being denied. If you encounter this problem please issue the provider a legacy authorization and ask the provider to resubmit the denied claims using the legacy authorization.

We will advise you when aid code "0C" is installed in the CCS payment system. At that time services for the aim linked infants should be authorized in the SAR system.